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STANDING COMMITTEES

Standing committees are committees constituted to perform a continuing function, and remain in existence permanently or for the life of the assembly that establishes them. In an ordinary society, the members of such a committee serve for a term corresponding to that of the officers, or until their successor have been chosen, unless the bylaws or other rules otherwise expressly provide. Thus, a new body of committee members is normally appointed at the beginning of each administration.

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Ad hoc committee is a committee appointed as the need arises, to carry out a specified task, at the completion of which-that is, on presentation of its final report to the assembly-it automatically cease to exist. A special committee may not be appointed to perform a task that falls within the assigned function of an existing standing committee.